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11 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
 12 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

13 **MICHELLE RIGHETTI** on behalf of herself and  
 14 all others similarly situated,

15 Plaintiff,

16 v.

17 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

18 Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-02064-APG-DJA

**MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE RELATED  
 ACTIONS**

19 **EMILY KIRWAN**, *individually and on behalf of*  
 all others similarly situated,

20 Plaintiff,

21 v.

22 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

23 Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01481-RFB-DJA

24 **TONYA OWENS**, *individually and on behalf of*  
 all others similarly situated,

25 Plaintiff,

26 v.

27 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

28 Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01480-RFB-MDC

**MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE RELATED ACTIONS**

1 <b>DAVID ZUSSMAN</b> , <i>individually and on behalf of</i> 2 <i>all others similarly situated,</i>	CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01537-CDS-BNW
3 Plaintiff,	
4 <b>VICI PROPERTIES L.P.</b> , a Delaware limited 5 partnership; <b>VICI PROPERTIES 2 L.P.</b> , a 6 Delaware limited partnership; <b>MGM RESORTS</b> 7 <b>INTERNATIONAL</b> , a Delaware corporation; and 8 <b>MGM GROWTH PROPERTOES</b> <b>OPERATING PARTNERSHIP L.P.</b> a Delaware limited liability company	
9 Defendants.	
10 <b>DAVID LACKEY</b> , <i>individually and on behalf of</i> <i>all others similarly situated,</i>	CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01549-RFB-NJK
11 Plaintiff,	
12 <b>v.</b>	
13 <b>MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL</b> ,	
14 Defendants.	
15 <b>MICHAEL PIRCIO</b> , <i>individually and on behalf of</i> <i>all others similarly situated,</i>	CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01550-CDS-NJK
16 Plaintiff,	
17 <b>v.</b>	
18 <b>MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL</b> ,	
19 Defendants.	
20 <b>DAVID TEREZO</b> , <i>individually and on behalf of</i> <i>all others similarly situated,</i>	CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01577-RFB-MDC
21 Plaintiff,	
22 <b>v.</b>	
23 <b>MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL</b> ,	
24 Defendants.	
25 <b>RONALD G. RUNDELL</b> , <i>individually and on</i> <i>behalf of all others similarly situated,</i>	CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01698-CDA-DJA
26 Plaintiff,	
27 <b>v.</b>	
28 <b>MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE RELATED ACTIONS</b>	

1 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

2 Defendants.

3 **CHARLES BEZAK, individually and on behalf of**  
 4 *all others similarly situated,*

5 Plaintiff,

6 **v.**

7 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

8 Defendants.

9 **PAUL ZARI, individually and on behalf of all**  
 10 *others similarly situated,*

11 Plaintiff,

12 **v.**

13 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

14 Defendants.

15 **MICHAEL MANSON, individually and on behalf**  
 16 *of all others similarly situated,*

17 Plaintiff,

18 **v.**

19 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

20 Defendants.

21 **LAURA WILLIS ALBRIGO and ANITA**  
 22 **JOHNSON, individually and on behalf of all**  
 23 *others similarly situated,*

24 Plaintiff,

25 **v.**

26 **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

27 Defendants.

28 CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01719-RFB-BNW

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01777-CDS-BNW

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01826-CDS-EJY

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-01981-RFB-EJY

**KYLE SLOAN, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,**

CASE NO. 2:23-cv-02042-ART-BNW

**Plaintiff,**

V.

## **VICI PROPERTIES INC. and MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

## Defendants.

**EDGAR MEJIA and DUJUN JOHNSON,  
*individually and on behalf of all others similarly  
situated.***

CASE NO. 2:24-cv-00081-APG-DJA

**Plaintiff,**

V.

## **MGM RESORTS INTERNATIONAL,**

## Defendants.

1 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a), District  
 2 Court Nevada Local Rule 42-1(b), and for the reasons set forth herein, Plaintiff Michelle Righetti files  
 3 this Motion to Consolidate Related Actions. Plaintiff will and hereby does move to consolidate the  
 4 above-captioned action with all cases involving similar questions of fact and law that have been or  
 5 subsequently will be filed. Fed. R. Civ. P. 42.<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to Local Rule 42-1(b), the Motion to  
 6 Consolidate will be decided by the judge to whom the earliest-filed action is assigned.

7 Presently before this Court are fourteen related putative class actions arising out of a September  
 8 2023 data breach affecting Defendant MGM Resorts International's computer systems. Each of these  
 9 actions involve the same defendant, set forth similar or identical proposed classes, raise virtually  
 10 identical legal and factual issues, and seek the same or substantially similar relief. To achieve judicial  
 11 efficiency and economy of resources, Plaintiff now moves for consolidation of these actions.<sup>2</sup>

12 **I. BACKGROUND**

13 Defendant MGM Resorts International is a global gaming, hospitality, and entertainment  
 14 company headquartered in Las Vegas, Nevada. Dkt. No. 1 (Class Action Complaint) ¶ 8. As alleged in  
 15 Plaintiff's complaint, on or about September 11, 2023, an unauthorized third party carried out a data  
 16 breach at Defendant's computer systems that resulted in the theft of Defendant's customers' personal  
 17 identifiable information. *Id.* ¶ 1. The stolen information included name, contact information (such as  
 18 phone number, email address, and postal address), gender, date of birth, and driver's license number.  
 19 *Id.* For some of Defendant's customers, passport numbers were also stolen. *Id.*

20 Plaintiff filed a complaint against MGM on December 14, 2023 alleging claims for (1)  
 21 Negligence; (2) Violations of the California Consumer Privacy Act (Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.150); (3)  
 22 Violations of the Customer Records Act (Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.82); (4) Violations of the Unfair  
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 25 <sup>1</sup> These cases include: *Owens v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01480; *Kirwan v. MGM Resorts Int'l*,  
 26 No. 2:23-cv-01481; *Zussman v. VICI Properties L.P., et al.*, No. 2:23-cv-01537; *Lackey v. MGM*  
 27 *Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01549; *Pircio v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01550; *Terezo v. MGM*  
*Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01577; *Rundell v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01698; *Bezak v. MGM*  
*Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01719; *Albrigo v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-1981; *Zari v. MGM*  
*Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01777; *Manson v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01826; *Mejia v. MGM*  
*Resorts Int'l, et al.*, No. 2:24-cv-00081; *Sloan v. Vici Properties, Inc., et al.*, No. 2:23-cv-02042.

<sup>2</sup> Plaintiff is also filing a Motion for Appointment of Interim Lead Counsel to further enhance  
 efficiency in representing the class of individuals affected by the September 2023 data breach.

1 Competition Law (Cal. Bus. & Prof Code § 17200, *et seq.*); and (5) Declaratory Relief. Plaintiff brings  
 2 this action on behalf of herself and two proposed classes:

3       Nationwide Class: All of Defendant's customers nation-wide whose PII was accessed or  
 4 otherwise compromised in the Data Breach that, according to Defendant, occurred in or  
 5 about September 11, 2023, and shall include all such Defendant customers whose PII was  
 6 accessed, stolen, downloaded, exfiltrated or otherwise compromised on or about that date  
 7 and up to and including the date that notice is given to the class. *Id.* ¶ 17(a).

8       California Sub-Class: All of Defendant's customers who reside in California whose PII  
 9 was accessed or otherwise compromised in the Data Breach that, according to Defendant,  
 10 occurred in or about September 11, 2023, and shall include all such Defendant customers  
 11 whose PII was accessed, stolen, downloaded, exfiltrated or otherwise compromised on or  
 12 about that date and up to and including the date that notice is given to the class. *Id.* ¶  
 13 17(b).

14       Numerous other class actions have been filed in this district arising out of the same September  
 15 2023 data breach. *See Owens v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01480; *Kirwan v. MGM Resorts Int'l*,  
 16 No. 2:23-cv-01481; *Zussman v. VICI Properties L.P., et al.*, No. 2:23-cv-01537; *Lackey v. MGM*  
 17 *Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01549; *Pircio v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01550; *Terezo v. MGM*  
 18 *Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01577; *Rundell v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01698; *Bezak v. MGM*  
 19 *Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01719; *Albrigo v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-1981; *Zari v. MGM*  
 20 *Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01777; *Manson v. MGM Resorts Int'l*, No. 2:23-cv-01826; *Mejia v. MGM*  
 21 *Resorts Int'l, et al.*, No. 2:24-cv-00081; *Sloan v. Vici Properties, Inc., et al.*, No. 2:23-cv-02042. These  
 22 actions allege similar common law causes of action and various state statutory claims. Moreover, the  
 23 proposed classes in these actions substantially overlap with Plaintiff's proposed classes set forth above,  
 24 as illustrated in the following table.

Case Name	Claims	Proposed Class
<i>Kirwan</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence and Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> </ul>	“All individuals in the United States whose PII was disclosed in the Data Breach[.]”
<i>Owens</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence and Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> </ul>	“All individuals in the United States whose PII was disclosed in the Data Breach.”

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	<i>Zussman</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outrageous Conduct</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Invasion of Privacy by Public Disclosure of Private Facts</li> <li>• Breach of Fiduciary Duty of Confidentiality</li> <li>• Negligent Training and Supervision</li> <li>• Breach of Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing</li> <li>• Declaratory and Injunctive Relief</li> </ul>	<p>“All persons residing in the United States who are current or former customers of MGM or any MGM affiliate, parent, or subsidiary, and had their PII compromised by an unknown third-party cybercriminal as a result of the Data Breach.”<sup>1</sup></p>
10 11 12 13 14 15 16	<i>Lackey</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Negligent Misrepresentation</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> <li>• Violation of the Nevada Consumer Fraud Act</li> <li>• Virginia Data Breach Notification Law</li> <li>• Maryland Consumer Protection Act MD Code Commercial Law Section 13-301</li> </ul>	<p>“All persons residing in the United States whose PII was acquired by cybercriminals in the MGM Data Breach.”</p>
17 18 19	<i>Pircio</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing</li> </ul>	<p>“All individuals within the United States of America whose PII was exposed to unauthorized third-parties as a result of the data breach experienced by Defendant on September 7, 2023.”</p>
20 21 22	<i>Terezo</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence and Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> </ul>	<p>“All individuals in the United States whose PII was disclosed in the Data Breach[.]”</p>
23 24 25 26 27 28	<i>Rundell</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> <li>• Breach of Confidence</li> </ul>	<p>“All individuals residing in the United States whose personal identifiable information was compromised as a result of the Data Breach.”</p>

<sup>1</sup> The *Zussman* complaint also proposes a “Texas Subclass” consisting of “All persons residing in the State of Texas who are current or former customers of MGM or any MGM affiliate, parent, or subsidiary, and had their PII compromised by an unknown third-party cybercriminal as a result of the Data Breach.”

1	<i>Bezak</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> <li>• Violation of the Nevada Consumer Fraud Act</li> <li>• Declaratory Judgment</li> </ul>	“All individuals in the United States whose PII was compromised in the MGM Data Breach which occurred on or September 11, 2023[.]”
5	<i>Zari</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> <li>• Breach of Confidence</li> </ul>	“All individuals residing in the United States whose personal identifiable information was compromised as a result of the Data Breach.”
9	<i>Manson</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Declaratory Judgment</li> </ul>	“All individuals whose PII was compromised in the data breach beginning on or around September 11, 2023.”
12	<i>Albrigo</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence and Negligence Per Se</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Restitution or Unjust Enrichment</li> <li>• California Customer Records Act</li> <li>• California Unfair Competition Act</li> </ul>	“All Individuals whose PII was disclosed in the Data Breach[.]”
17	<i>Sloan</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Invasion of Privacy</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> <li>• Breach of Fiduciary Duty</li> <li>• Unjust Enrichment</li> <li>• Bailment</li> </ul>	“All persons whose PII was maintained on MGM’s servers that were compromised in the Data Breach.”
21	<i>Mejia</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Negligence</li> <li>• Invasion of Privacy by Public Disclosure of Private Facts and Intrusion Upon Seclusion</li> <li>• Breach of Contract</li> <li>• Breach of Implied Contract</li> </ul>	“All people in the United States whose PII, including, but not limited to, names, driver’s license numbers, dates of birth, and social security numbers, was obtained by an unauthorized individual or individuals from Defendant during the Data Breach on or around September 11, 2023.”

1       **II. ARGUMENT**

2       Consolidation pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a) is proper where actions “involve  
 3 a common question of law or fact.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 42(a). “The purpose of consolidation is not only to  
 4 enhance efficiency of the trial court by avoiding unnecessary duplication of evidence and procedures,  
 5 but also to avoid inconsistent adjudications.” *Chacanaca v. Quaker Oats Co.*, No. C 10-0502 RS, 2011  
 6 WL 13141425, at \*2 (N.D. Cal. June 14, 2011) (internal quotation marks and citation omitted). A  
 7 “district court has broad discretion to consolidate cases pending in the same district.” *Investors Research*  
 8 *Co. v. U.S. Dist. Court for Cent. Dist. of Cal.*, 877 F.2d 777, 777 (9th Cir. 1989). In exercising its broad  
 9 discretion to consolidate actions under Rule 42(a), a court “weighs the saving the saving of time and  
 10 effort consolidation would produce against any inconvenience, delay, or expense that it would cause.”  
 11 *Huene v. United States*, 743 F.2d 703, 704 (9th Cir. 1984).

12       Here, there can be no dispute that the fourteen related actions before the Court present a multitude  
 13 of common questions of law and fact. All of the related actions are brought against MGM arising out of  
 14 a September 2023 data breach, on behalf of substantially the same proposed class. All of the related  
 15 actions seek to remedy MGM’s alleged failure to take reasonable steps to protect the data of the named  
 16 plaintiff and putative class members. All of the related actions assert claims of negligence, among other  
 17 common law claims which substantially overlap as between the various related actions.

18       Moreover, consolidation will significantly conserve judicial and party resources, while  
 19 generating no (or at most *de minimis*) inconvenience, delay, or expense. Plaintiff seeks to consolidate  
 20 these cases at the outset of litigation. All of these cases were only recently filed, and MGM has not yet  
 21 responded to any of them. A consolidated complaint will establish a single, uniform definitions for the  
 22 class or classes, streamline the issues related to MGM’s September 2023 data breach, and eliminate the  
 23 confusion and delay that may result from prosecuting related class action cases separately.  
 24 Consolidation will also conserve judicial and party resources and expedite resolution of this matter by  
 25 avoiding duplicative class certification proceedings, discovery disputes, dispositive motions, and trial  
 26 proceedings. *See, e.g., Chacanaca*, 2011 WL 13141425, at \*2 (granting consolidation of consumer class  
 27 actions).

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1 For all these reasons, all putative class actions already before this Court relating to the September  
 2 2023 MGM data breach, including those identified above, as well as any additional related cases that  
 3 may be subsequently filed or transferred to this Court, should be consolidated.

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 5 Dated: March 13, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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